

REMARKS

In the outstanding official Action, guidelines were suggested for section headings and the like in the specification. In response, this suggestion is acknowledged, but section headings have not been added as they are not required in accordance with MPEP §608.01(a).

Claim 9 was rejected under 35 USC 112, as being indefinite because it recites "the method as claimed in claim 8" and claim 8 is in fact directed to an optical record carrier and not a method. In response, claim 9 is herewith amended to correct an inadvertent typographical error so that the claim as herewith amended now properly depends from method claim 7.

On the merits, claim 6 was deemed to be allowable if placed in independent form, with the patentable subject matter of claim 6 being indicated as "control means by switching said switchable means on or off by bringing said switchable means into the light path during recording."

In response, and in order to place the instant application in condition for allowance, independent claim 6 is herewith cancelled, without prejudice, and the foregoing allowable subject matter of claim 6 has been incorporated into independent claims 1 and 7, with independent 8 being cancelled herewith. Accordingly, upon entry of

this amendment, independent claims 1 and 7, and the remaining claims depending therefrom, will all contain allowable subject matter indicated in the Action to be neither taught nor suggested in the prior art of record alone or in combination.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the instant application is now in condition for allowance, and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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